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SUBJECT: COURT SUMMONS FOR JOHN W. MECOM

1. THE EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED A FOREIGN OFFICE NOTE ASKING THAT WE SERVE A SUMMONS ON JOHN W. MECOM TO APPEAR BEFORE THE DISTRICT COURT OF AMMAN, JORDAN ON JUNE 25, 1974 FOR A HEARING FILED AGAINST HIM BY THE JORDANIAN ATTORNEY GENERAL. WE REALISE EMBASSY IS NOT A PROCESS SERVER (AND FIND IT STRANGE THAT WE HAVE BEEN ASKED AND THAT GOJ EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON HAS NOT BEEN ABLE TO SERVE SUMMONS) BUT BEFORE MAKING A SIMPLE REPLY TO THIS EFFECT, WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW A BIT MORE ABOUT MECOM AND HIS ACTIVITIES HERE.

2. ALL OUR FILES ON MECOM WERE DESTROYED AND OFFICERS WHO MIGHT HAVE BEEN FAMILIAR WITH THE CASE HAVE BEEN TRANSFERRED. FROM OUR COLLECTIVE MEMORY, WE RECALL THAT MECOM WAS INVOLVED IN OIL EXPLORATION SEVERAL YEARS AGO AND MAY HAVE LEFT JORDAN HAVING FAILED TO LIVE UP TO TERMS OF ITS AGREEMENT. IT IS ALSO BELIEVED THAT HE HAS SOME EQUIPMENT IN JORDAN.

3. WOULD APPRECIATE WHATEVER THE DEPARTMENT OR COMMERCE HAS ON MECOM AND HIS ACTIVITIES

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IN JORDAN. UNLESS DEPARTMENT ADVISES OTHER-

WISE, WE WILL RESPOND TO FOREIGN OFFICE REQUEST WITH
A NEGATIVE REPLY. COPY OF NOTE AND SUMMONS WILL BE
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